

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, March 7, 1929.

Reported by Senator Campbell of Washington from Committee on Banks and Banking and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE

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AN ACT Relating to Administration Upon Estates of Persons  
Who Have Disappeared and Not Been Heard from for a  
Period of at Least Seven Years from the Date of Disap-  
pearance.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

If a person entitled to, or having an interest in personal  
2 property within the jurisdiction of this state, has disappeared  
3 from the place within this state where he was last known  
4 to be, or reside, and his disappearance is followed by a  
5 continued absence for a period of not less than seven years  
6 from the date of disappearance, during which period he is

7 unheard from; and a petition is made to the probate court  
8 in the county in which said person last resided, or left said  
9 property of the value of at least twenty dollars, which  
10 petition shall allege the disappearance, continued absence  
11 and presumption of death of said person, and request the  
12 allowance of the will of said person, if he left one, or the  
13 appointment of an administrator, if he is alleged to have  
14 died intestate; and the said probate court, after notice and  
15 hearing thereon, shall issue letters testamentary or of ad-  
16 ministration upon his estate; then any payment due the  
17 estate of said person made to the executor or administrator  
18 thereof, shall be valid, and the receipt or release given by  
19 said executor or administrator shall be a bar to any further  
20 or other action therefor.